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Adaptation of special content messages between mobile telephones of different capabilities is carried out by a special application service center that receives a special content message from an originating mobile station and, in response thereto, sends a short message using the existing short message service to an addressed terminating mobile station with a notification of the nature of the intended special content message, as well as an indication of an alternative method of receiving the special content message if the terminating mobile station is not capable of processing the special content message, for instance, a URL which the user can consult using his personal computer over the internet. If the terminating mobile station is capable of receiving the special content message, it signals the special application service center which, after authentication, then forwards the special content message to the terminating mobile station for processing.

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